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NO. 15

PLAN TO SOLVE THE WATER PROBLEM.

The Company Can Be Compelled to Place
a Meter in Every Building
in This City.

The Waste of Water Will Be Stopped As Well As
the Never-ending Complaints About
Over Charges.

The Board of Trustees at the meeting last evening to consider the water question expressed itself in favor of the adoption of a meter system which will have the effect of preventing the water company from establishing a more satisfactory system of rates.

In the absence of President Richards, Trustee Marston was elected chairman and called the meeting to order.

Clerk Hanson announced that he had a copy of the annual report of the Contra Costa Company. The Alameda Water Company had promised to have its report ready but had failed.

The report of the Contra Costa Company is as follows:

RECEIPTS	
Water Rents	
General	\$123,074.45
Oakland	10,587.64
Builders	120.00
Alameda Company	2,609.15
Berkeley	1,482.44
Emeryville	255.42
Town of San Leandro	4,961.25
General	220.00
Total	\$144,095.90
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Temescal lake	\$1,074.50
San Leandro lake	2,773.05
Filtering	8,479.09
Pumping	6,537.70
Street mains	1,913.25
Stable account	1,426.00
General expenses	1,260.00
Office	1,250.00
Salaries	12,105.00
Total	\$51,039.51
Taxes	10,896.70
Interest	94,437.07
CONSTRUCTION EXPENSES	
San Leandro lake	\$36.35
Temescal	973.00
Filter stations	246.27
Street mains	11,960.64
Merchandise	8,554.47
Pleasanton land	164.05
Engineering	931.70
Total	\$22,266.48
Rec'd from sale of bonds	\$17,000.00
Increase floating debt	1.30
Cash/Receivable	96.00
Cash on hand Jan. 1	51,492.00
Cash on hand Dec. 31	25,054.37
Total	\$212,790.13
COST OF WORK	
Previous to January 1, 1897	\$4,348,387.28
Construction expended during 1897	22,266.48
Total cost to date	\$4,370,653.76

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MEETINGS OF THE FIRE COMPANIES.

Columbia Boys Decide to
Admit All the For-
mer Members.

Little of Importance Transacted
at North Berkeley and
Peralta.

At the meeting of Columbia Fire Company last evening the Entertainment, By-laws and Harness committees were granted further time.

The Secretary was instructed to request the Chief in regard to receiving instructions from to respond to alarms in other sections of town.

It was decided to admit all the members of the old company.

The Secretary was instructed to draft a set of resolutions asking the Board of Trustees to recompense George Parker for the services he has rendered the department.

L. Meinheit was tendered a vote of thanks for his donation of \$5. and the meeting adjourned.

PERALTA COMPANY.

The Peralta Fire Company at the meeting last night decided to purchase a dozen keys to the Fire house and place one in each store in the vicinity to facilitate the bringing out of the apparatus in case of fire.

Foreman Brothers filed a report assigning the members of the Company to their various stations.

The junior was authorized to purchase certain utensils for use in the Fire house.

THE ALERT COMPANY.

The Alert Company met last evening in the office of the president, Geo. T. Bush. A vote of thanks was tendered the Board of Trustees for the fire hose wagon recently given to the company.

The Committee on By-laws was granted further time.

A committee consisting of Fred Lockyer, E. M. Edwards and John Thompson, was appointed to investigate three offers of a site for the fire house, namely, at the corner of Fulton and Blake streets, at the corner of Haste street and Shattuck avenue, and a room 20x75 in a building opposite Dwight way station.

The president then appointed a committee of one to secure subscriptions for the maintenance of the company.

Adjourned.

NORTH BERKELEY FIRE COMPANY.

At the meeting of the North Berkeley Fire Company the committee on fire alarm reported that a telephone would be placed at the North Berkeley fire house, and the same call which sounds the alarm bell there will turn on the still alarm at the members' houses. By the use of the telephone the firemen will know exactly where a fire is located.

The Treasurer's report was received and accepted.

Foreman Florence assigned badges 11 and 12 to Jack Lloyd and Frank Jones to duty.

The committee on resolutions was granted further time in the matter of drafting resolutions on the death of Chas. Haviland, a member of the company.

Telephone Inquiries.

Hello! Hello! Bush & Son: Have you any property for sale in Berkeley? Yes. Lots from \$300 to \$500 and on easy terms. Geo. T. Bush & Son, Dwight Way Real Estate and Insurance Agents, 2519 Shattuck Ave.

It's Dangerous to Cross the Bay.

If you want to save time and money get the prices of furniture, stoves and household goods cheaper than city prices at the Reliance Furniture Company, 313 San Pablo avenue, Oakland.

THE GREATER UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Outlines of the Conditions for
Preliminary Architectural Competition.

College News of Interest to
Townpeople as Well as
Students.

The architectural plan is to be chosen by a double competition. It is preliminary and final. For the preliminary competition copies of the program have been left for distribution with various architectural societies, consults, etc., in the Argentine Republic, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, China, Denmark, France, Germany, England and Colonies, Holland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland, Roumania, Russia, Spain, Sweden and Turkey. In this country the program can be had from the Chapters of the American Institute of Architects in the principal cities of the country and from the Mayors of other cities.

The preliminary competition will close July 1, 1898, before which date the plans must be deposited by the competitors with the United States Consul at Antwerp, Belgium. They will be accompanied by a device or particular sign, and by envelopes containing the same device and the information necessary to identify the sender.

For the preliminary competition the jury will consist of five members: Messrs. R. Norman Shaw, London; J. L. Pascal, Paris; Paul Wallot, Dresden; Walter Cook, New York City; and J. H. Reinke, San Francisco. The jury is thus international in character. They will not know the identity of any competitor and will have no part in the competition except as judges of the plans.

The jury will retain not less than ten of the plans submitted in the preliminary and all the plans thus selected become the property of the University of California.

The decision will be made by the jury in Antwerp. The authors of the successful plans in the preliminary contest will receive from \$1000 to \$1500 as premiums, according to the number of plans approved by the jury, one-third payable one month following the judgment, two-thirds after the execution and delivery of the final plan. The competitor who does not enter the final competition will thus forfeit two-thirds of the premium.

In the final competition only those selected from the preliminary will be allowed to compete. They will be notified individually of their admission to the second competition and of any alterations that may be made in the program for the final competition.

The chief feature of the second competition is that those admitted to it will be entitled to first class transportation and expenses for the journey from their place of residence to San Francisco. They will receive credentials, so that they can be identified here, and will be given all opportunities to make a personal study of the site and of local conditions, so that they may apply a better understanding of the problems to their further work.

AN EQUAL CHANCE.

There have appeared from the Recorder's office blank forms of application for work about the University which will enable the Recorder to know just how many students desire help of this kind. The object of these applications is to have a list of eligibles within reach of the Recorder, so that anyone desiring help of any kind may be referred to it. This will give everyone a fair and impartial chance for

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HOW HARRY MARCOM MET HIS DEATH.

The Unfortunate Boy's Long
and Desperate Struggle
for Life.

The Frail Craft in Which He
Hunted Has Been
Destroyed.

As exclusively announced in the Gazette yesterday, the body of Harry Marcom, better known as Vertelli, was found in the bay off Fleming's point, about 3:30 o'clock last afternoon.

Deputy Marshal Rawson and Pete Rodgers the discoverers had a difficult task. Starting from where the old wharf common as they grappled the bottom of the bay along - the piles out to the end - a distance of three-fourths of a mile, where the capsize boat was found tied to a pile on which was a given tank used for a blind.

Then the men proceeded out 150 feet from the boat and there the body was found - about seven feet of water. The unfortunate boy had evidently tried to climb from the boat up to the blind, when the right capsized. The boat was a flat bottomed, straight sided affair, and Marcom had evidently fired himself in his efforts to right it. Then he apparently tried to climb one of the piles as his coat, vest and trousers were torn and the upper part of his body bruised as if from trying to climb the piles. When the body was found the arms were extended rigidly above the head, showing that the victim had held on until he became exhausted and sank beneath the waters.

The accident must have taken place about 3:50 o'clock as the watch Marcom carried stopped at that time.

Considering the length of time the remains were in the water, they were in excellent condition.

In the pockets were found a duck which had fallen a victim to Marcom's prowess, and some letters of private interest.

The funeral will probably be held Saturday morning.

The boat which belonged to Chris Hammer was chopped to pieces and burned last evening by the owner.

Will Be Moved.

The building at the corner of Center street and Stanford place belonging to Mrs. Catherine Schmidt will be moved to University avenue near San Pablo where it will be occupied by Fred Munday.

M. Livingston of West Berkeley will leave for Paso Robles, to take charge of a slaughter house there owned by his brother.

A Leap to Death.

Special to the Gazette.

San Francisco, Jan. 19--Hugh Lind threw himself from the roof of a lodging house at the corner of Mission and Ninth streets, this afternoon and was killed.

Notice.

Two or three young men students are anxious to obtain work for board and lodging. Address, W. W. Bristol, Manager Student's Aid Society.

J. Edson Kelsey, M. D., Ph. G., Gottshall block, rooms 5 and 6. Hours 10 to 11:30 and 2 to 5.

Diamonds and Jewelry at Auction.

S. Lathrop will offer at public auction every afternoon and evening the largest stock of solid silver, diamonds, watches and jewelry in the city.

No Fake Auction Sales.

It does not pay to rent houses and furnish them up and run a water business. They are beyond days. For rent bargains, go to the old store of H. Schellhaas, 408 Eleventh street.

ALEX STEPHENS INJURED IN A TRAIN WRECK.

Suffering From Concussion
of the Spine and In-
ternal Injuries.

Brought to Berkeley on a Special
Train Will Probably
Recover.

Alex H. Stephens of 1614 Louise street, North Berkeley, a mail clerk on the Overland train, was badly injured yesterday afternoon in a wreck of the Overland train at the crossing near the city.

Stephens was brought to his Berkeley home on a special train, accompanied by Dr. Ware of Colfax.

The train arrived here about 6:30 this morning and Mr. Stephens was taken to his residence.

Dr. H. N. Rowell, the injured man's physician states that there is concussion of the spine, combined with internal injuries, the exact nature of which cannot be ascertained at present.

From present indications the physicians state that there is no reason for fearing a fatal termination.

This afternoon Mr. Stephens was sleeping for the first time since the accident. He has been conscious all the time.

The injured man has been in the railway mail service for six years.

The accident was caused by the first engine jumping the track. Dan Hackett, engineer on the second engine was killed as well as Edward Lightner, fireman on the first engine. Chas. C. Brown, engineer on the first engine and C. F. Brown, passengers received a severe shaking up but none were injured.

COLLEGE BATTALION

WILL PARADE.

The Boys Decide to Take Part in
the Jubilee.

The University battalion decided this morning to parade in San Francisco next Monday.

The decision was arrived at during drill hour, when Lieutenant Chomay, President Kellogg, Regent Denicke and Professor Jones made short addresses urging the boys to parade.

Messrs. Thayer, Leight, Brown and Rainey of the Senior class aided the authorities with their eloquence and on a vote the proposition was adopted almost unanimously.

Hindoo Lecturer.

Sivartha, the Hindoo, lectured last evening at the residence of Dr. O. Chang in Lorn, upon the subject of "The Brain Is a Workshop." Thought his subject will be "Building a Character."

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A SUMMER RESORT FOR THIS CITY.

The Shattuck Mansion May
Be Transformed Into
a Hotel.

Summer Cottages to Be Erected
on the Surrounding
Grounds.

F. K. Shattuck is considering a proposition which may result in the establishment of a first-class summer resort in Berkeley.

The plan is to transform the Shattuck mansion into a hotel and build a number of summer cottages about the grounds.

There is every reason to believe the plan would be successful, as the beauty of the grounds and vicinity, and the nearness to San Francisco would serve to make the resort in every respect a desirable place at which to spend not only the summer but the winter as well.

Mr. Shattuck, in a conversation with a representative of the Gazette this morning, stated that he had given considerable thought to the matter and thought favorably of it, but as yet has come to no definite conclusion.

A gentleman close to Mr. Shattuck, states that he expects the wealthy Berkeleyan will decide to commence work on the project in the near future.

LOCAL REALTY

TRANSFERS.

Property Which Changed Hands Yesterday.

The following transfers of local realty were recorded yesterday:

Town of Berkeley to John Corbett, lot on E line of Spaulding avenue, 40 S. of Bancroft way, S. 30 by E. 61 ft. quitclaim deed, \$1.

Town of Berkeley to Michael and Mary Corbett, lot beginning at a point 64.8 E from E. of Bancroft way, S. 30 by E. 51 ft. quitclaim deed, \$1.

Reception to Their Pastor.

The members of Park Congregational church will give a reception at the church parlors Friday evening to their pastor, Rev. Mr. Arnold.

A New Firm.

John and Charles Douglas have purchased a complete line of staple and fancy groceries and will open a grocery store in the Reine block, Ashby avenue, about February 1.

The Douglas Bros. are well known throughout Berkeley, and will open with a long list of patrons.

Don't Forget the Day.

Go to the old store every afternoon and evening at 5 o'clock, 109 Broadway, closing on his stock.

Save Time and Cash Fare!

By calling at Mount Deed Store, 5th street and Market, over West Berkeley for fresh and pure fruits at city prices.

FRED MILLER

Successor to J. A. Rison, the tailor, 215 San Pablo avenue, Oakland. First-class tailoring, very reasonable; suits \$15 up; trousers \$4 up.

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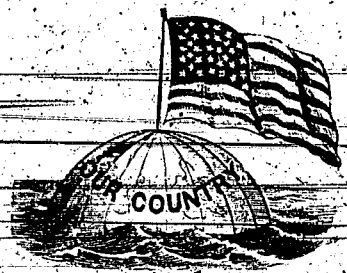
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A SOLUTION.

Pending the adoption of measures to secure a water supply the proposition of establishing a universal meter system seems to furnish the required relief from the periodic water famine and the never-ending complaints in regard to over charge. It is contended that if the waste were prevented there would never be a shortage of water. Now the way to stop this waste is by the use of meters. Consumers will be obliged to use more than they need, if compelled to pay for the excess. The remedy is simple. Section 12 of Ordinance 99-A reads as follows:

Any water consumer in Berkeley shall have the right to demand and receive from any person, company, association or corporation furnishing water in Berkeley, a meter to measure the water used by such consumer, which meter shall be supplied, put in place and kept in repair by such person, company, association or corporation free of all expense to the consumer, and after such meter shall be put in place the rates provided for in Section 9 of this ordinance shall be charged for water used by such consumer for all purposes. The consumer must, however, give thirty (30) days notice in writing, to such person, company, association or corporation that such consumer desires to have such meter and to pay meter rates. When notice is given there shall be deposited by the consumer with the person, company, association or corporation the sum of five (\$5) dollars as an advanced payment for water, and the same shall be deducted from the first bills of water furnished by means of such meter; but in case, through no fault of the person, company, association or corporation supplying water, no water be used by such consumer, after the placing of such meter and within three months thereafter, then such deposit shall be forfeited by the consumer to the person, company, association or corporation so placing such meter; provided, that no monthly bill for water furnished through a meter shall be less than \$1.50.

Now if the Board when it meets in February to fix the rates establish none but meter rates, the Company must perforce place a meter wherever it be demanded. It is estimated that the cost of furnishing every consumer in the city with a meter will be about \$18,000. The Company will probably object but as the investment is a legitimate one and the rate will be adjusted to pay a fair interest the objections of the corporations should not be sustained.

THE REASON WHY.

EDITOR GAZETTE: The question is often asked, why is it that Berkeley, in which more new residences are continually in course of erection than in any other city in the State, proportionate to our population, does not advance in a commercial sense? A practical exemplification of the only true answer has been given recently in a local society.

A business man, an honored and trusted member of this society, was appointed a committee of one to submit samples and prices of certain lines of goods needed by the society for certain purposes. The samples were submitted, and at the same time another member offered samples of the same goods which he had procured in Oakland.

It happened that the prices of the Oakland goods were eight per cent lower than those of the Berkeley merchant, and it likewise happened that the Berkeley goods were pronounced by all present at least fifty per cent superior in quality to those of Oakland, and the goods of the Berkeley merchant were unanimously selected.

This man was not authorized to procure Oakland prices for the desired goods, and it is people of his ilk who are responsible for the standstill of business in Berkeley. People of this caliber think that that nothing is good or cheap unless it comes from Oakland or San Francisco, when the fact of the matter is that quality considered, Berkeley prices are as low as in either of the other cities mentioned.

The fact of the matter is that if Berkeley people would generally patronize Berkeley dealers there is no reason why the latter may not be able to sell cheaper than their competitors on the outside. The expenses of Berkeley men are lower than in the larger cities, especially in the matter of delivery of goods, the Oakland merchant being obliged to deliver practically everything purchased, while a large percentage of the sales of Berkeley merchants are made over the counters. With increased business, the local merchants will be able to sell lower and make as much or a greater profit.

Looking at the matter in its proper light, it is not too strong a statement to make to say that every purchase abroad operates to increase the price of the goods, as it prevents the local business man from doing the volume of business that will enable him to undersell his competitor on the outside.

BERKELEY FOR BERKELEYANS.

Jokes.

Be still, my fluttering heart, be still. The hours as they drift by Must tell us if they'll pass that bill. Or only pass the pie.

"I doesn't reckon dat yoll's gwinter git all's pay fum dat ar' concern," said the colored porter. "Why not?" asked the collector. "They have some assets."

"Yes sur. Dey has some. But dey isn't equal to dah unreliability."

Coffees out of sight!

TEN POUNDS FOR \$1.00.

Whole Roasted. No Broken Beans.

Good, Strong, Fine Flavored Coffee.

5 lbs. Splendid Coffee, \$1.00

4 1/2 lbs. Fancy Blend, \$1.00

Better Coffee at 25c per pound than others ask for.

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INCORPORATED.

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Staple and Fancy Grocers

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Hoy Block, West Berkeley

Alameda Water Company

OFFICE: HANN BLOCK

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Albion Tea Co.

470 THIRTEENTH STREET, Oakland

Bet. Broadway and Washington.

Tea, Spices, etc.

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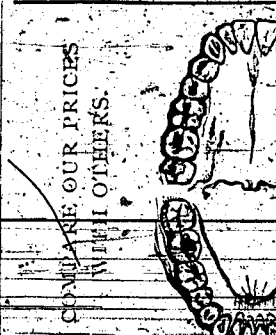
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